

**Approved Minutes**  
**Friend of the Court Bureau**  
**Advisory Committee Annual Meeting**  
State Court Administrative Office – Lansing, MI  
Thursday, July 13, 2006

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dr. Brooks, Hon. Mabel Mayfield, Anthony Paruk, Fred Lebowitz, Shawn Perry, Murray Davis, Dr. Numa Cabrera, Suzanne Hoseth and Lynn Bullard.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Erin House and Patti Holden

**STAFF PRESENT:** Daniel Wright, Steve Capps

**EX-OFFICIO:** Susan Thorman

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 12:33 p.m.

Introductions

The Committee was introduced to Dr. Numa Cabrera, who is a Human Services Professional Member on the Committee.

**2. ROUTINE BUSINESS**

- a. Approval of June 22, Minutes – A motion was made by Ms. Perry and seconded by Mr. Paruk to accept the Minutes as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.
- b. Public Comment - Leanne Lickman from Isabella County. She had no public comment, and is here to observe.
- c. Correspondence
  - i. Brian T. LaFerriere response letter – A customer service clerk in the Bureau provided a response to Mr. LaFerriere's letter, and the response was approved by the Committee.

**3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a. Child Support Program Funding

- i. Murray Davis's Recommendations for Caseload Reduction – Murray provided the Committee with an addendum to his June 22, 2006 correspondence. The Committee discussed and Mr. Capps will provide section C to the CASPER Committee for review. With respect to section A and B.
- ii. Fees on Marriage License, Birth Certificates, and Affidavit of Parentage – Mr. Paruk informed the Committee that those original copies of marriage license and birth certificate fees are \$36.00. For affidavit of parentage are \$15.00. These fees are statutorily set. If there was an increase of these fees, it would generate revenue. He suggests the Committee consider increasing the initial fee, as well as the extra copy fee.

**4. NEW BUSINESS**

a. Hot Topics

- i. Parenting Time Orders – How parenting time varies county by county. Dr. Brooks believes there should be uniformity throughout the state. This topic will be tabled for the next meeting.

At the next Annual meeting of October 12, 2006 there will be three member vacancies. The vacancies will be for a Professional, Judicial, and Public membership.

**5. CLOSING**

- a. Members Closing Comments - None
- b. Final Public Comment – Leanne Lickman asked about imputation of income, and the WorkFirst program.
- c. Next Meeting Date: October 12, 2006 at 10:00 a.m.
- d. Adjourn – the meeting was adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Darla D. Brandon